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SUBJECT: UNESCO: DRAFT DECLARATION ON RACE AND RACIAL  
PREJUDICE

REF: A) PARIS 36932 B) PARIS 37279

1. ON BEHALF OF INFORMATION GROUP (IG), SEVERAL MEMBERS  
LED BY AMBASSADOR HUMMEL (SWITZERLAND) MET WITH  
BOISSIER-PALUN (DG'S CONFIDANT AND PRINCIPAL ADVISOR) ON  
JANUARY 6 TO DISCUSS VIEWS AND CONCERNS OF IG CONCERNING  
SECRETARIAT DRAFT DECLARATION ON RACE AND RACIAL  
PREJUDICE (REFTEL A). PURPOSE OF MEETING WAS TO  
COMMUNICATE IG VIEWS TO DG WITHOUT GIVING RISE TO  
INTERPRETATION THAT WESTERN COUNTRIES WERE TRYING TO  
EXACT CONCESSIONS, OR TO EXERT UNDUE PRESSURE.

2. BOISSIER-PALUN TOLD IG REPRESENTATIVES THAT HE HAD  
PARTICIPATED AS AN OBSERVER IN EXPERTS MEETING WHICH HAD  
DRAFTED CURRENT DRAFT DECLARATION. HE, TOO, SHARED SOME  
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OF THE SAME CONCERNS VOICED BY IG MEMBERS, AND BELIEVED  
THAT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA, AS PROPOSED BY AMB  
HUMMEL, TO FORMULATE AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT TEXT.  
BOISSIER-PALUN FURTHER SUGGESTED THAT IG CONVENE AGAIN TO  
DRAW UP SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO WHICH THE GROUP COULD  
AGREE. SINCE HE HAD ALREADY DECIDED TO DISCUSS DRAFT  
DECLARATION WITH DG, SPECIFIC IG VIEWS COULD BE MADE PART

OF THIS APPROACH. THE DG, IN FACT, HAD ALREADY ASKED BOISSIER-PALUN TO ACT AS A MEDIATOR BETWEEN THE VARIOUS GROUPS IN UNESCO, IN HOPES OF WORKING OUT GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE TEXT THAT WOULD MEET ALL CONCERNS, PRIOR TO OPENING OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPERT'S MEETING. THE IG'S INITIATIVE WILL AID HIM IN THIS TASK.

3. IG WILL MEET AGAIN ON JAN 12 TO FORMULATE SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT TEXT. THESE WILL BE GIVEN TO BOISSIER-PALUN. IF DEPT HAS ANY COMMENT ON DRAFT TEXT WHICH IT WOULD WISH TO HAVE INCLUDED IN IG'S AMENDMENTS, OR CONCERNING MATERIALS REFERRED TO REFTEL A, PERM DEL WILL NEED THEM JAN 12, AM. WE WILL RELAY RESULTS OF JAN 12 IG SESSION AS SOON AS THEY ARE AVAILABLE.

4. AS TO A TIME AND PLACE FOR MEETING, WE ARE TOLD 'OFFICIALLY" THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH SEVERAL AFRICAN COUNTRIES ARE STILL UNDERWAY. NONETHELESS, WE AND MOST OTHER PERM DELS HERE ARE NEARLY CERTAIN THAT MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN PARIS, AND PROBABLY SOMETIME AFTER MARCH 15.

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